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ANARCHIST BOMB SENT TO HUSBAND OF FORMER PARIS GIRL.

The many friends of Mrs. Chas. Miles McKinlay, of Leona, N. J., who was formerly Miss Martha Ferguson, the handsome daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Volney Ferguson, of this county, will be interested and thankful for her narrow escape from injury from the hands of an anarchist at her country home in New Jersey.

Following their wedding, which took place at "Arcadia," the country home of their parents in this county, on April 30, last, Dr. McKinlay and his bride spent two weeks of their honeymoon in a trip to various Eastern cities, following which they went to their country home at Leona, N. J., a suburb of New York City. About two weeks ago Mrs. Volney Ferguson, the mother of the bride, sent as a birthday present to her daughter, a handsome "sweet grass" basket of delicate fibre and handsomely made. She wrote a letter to that effect, telling Mrs. McKinlay to be on the lookout for it. Falling to receive the package in due time, Mrs. McKinlay informed her mother of its non-arrival. Mrs. Ferguson wrote again, telling her the contents of the package, that it was very light and fragile, requiring only five cents in postage, and possibly might have been crushed and destroyed in transportation.

Shortly after receiving this letter the package was delivered at the McKinlay residence in Leona. But instead of being light it weighed several pounds, contained twenty-five cents in postage instead of five, and due to the fact that the bomb outrages in the East had occurred only a few days previous, Dr. McKinlay became suspicious and was afraid to open the package. He had it removed to police headquarters, where upon being opened by an expert, it was found to contain, besides the present, a deadly bomb. The matter was placed in the hands of Government authorities, and is being investigated.

Dr. and Mrs. McKinlay are at a loss for a reason which would cause any one to make this attempt on their lives. The only suggestion which has been offered is that before his marriage, Dr. McKinlay was the private physician for a wealthy New York family, the head of which, it is said, is prominently connected with the Standard Oil Company. The fact that Dr. McKinlay was frequently seen with members of this family may have caused some person with anarchistic tendencies to attempt to wreak his vengeance upon him and his bride.

SOON BE PLENTY OF ICE

Manager Phil Nippert, of the Paris Ice Co., when asked yesterday by THE NEWS as to the reported ice famine in the city, stated that there was no danger of such a thing. He said further: "For some time our plant has been handicapped from the fact that the water in the creek from which we derive our supply has been low and consequently very warm. This has operated against us. It was almost impossible to make plenty of ice from the warm water, but we hung to the job and did all we could. Now, since the heavy rains have caused the creek to rise, and there is plenty of water, the temperature of the water has changed and become cool, so that we will be enabled to furnish our customers with ice, and better ice, than before. We have kept our wagons going under adverse circumstances, but we hope that this is now all past."

BLACKBERRIES ON THE MARKET: SUGAR ON THE RUN.

Blackberries, those delicious, juicy morsels that have been the pride of Nicholas county for generations, are coming to the market, but selling at or about \$1.00 per bucket, which makes them worth in the vicinity of 8 1/3 cents per quart, and no very big rats at that, the way the dealers serve them out.

Then, after the berries have been secured, there comes the problem of getting the necessary quantity of sugar, a problem that is proving a vexing one for Paris housekeepers. Many grocers are refusing to sell more than a specified amount to each customer. Some of the grocers exhausted their supplies of sugar Tuesday, with none in sight for Wednesday. Other dealers have been taking care of their own customers, with the result that one big retail dealer had no sugar in his house for several days. All the dealers have orders out for sugar, but the wholesalers say they cannot get sugar from the refiners, who, in turn, claim they are far short on the raw material. What the outcome will be cannot be predicted.

K. OF P. TO VISIT PYTHIAN HOME AT LEXINGTON.

Rathbone Lodge and the A. J. Lovely Company, Uniform Rank, K. of P., are perfecting arrangements for paying a long-deferred visit to the Pythian Home at Lexington. The Home is now under the management of Col. Robt. L. Slade, well and favorably known here.

The members of the lodges, with their wives, sisters, mothers and sweethearts, will go to Lexington on a special car over the Interurban lines on August 10, and will spend the day there as guests of the Home. They will have a musical program and will have a basket lunch on the grounds. The details of the proposed visit are now being worked out by committees representing both organizations.

SEVERE ELECTRICAL AND WIND STORM VISITS BOURBON

Following a period of intense heat, which early gave promise of developing into a storm of some magnitude, this section was visited Wednesday afternoon by a severe storm of electricity, wind, thunder, accompanied by heavy rain, which at times took on the proportions of a flood, and did considerable damage in many sections of the county. The people of Bourbon county may be very thankful that it was no worse.

The storm seemed to come from no particular part of the universe, but the dark clouds gathered, the rains descended, and the elements had a merry war for several hours, during which time many of the more timid ones sought shelter of a substantial kind, and even the hardiest wondered what would happen next. The wind assumed a high velocity at times, forcing the heavy rain ahead of it like bullets from a machine gun, and literally drenching the face of the earth "and everything." Limbs were torn from shade trees and scattered like chaff from a mill. Fences were blown down in many instances, and the lightning played incessantly, accompanied by the deep bass of the growling and roaring thunder, like a veritable Walpurgis night.

During the storm the home of Mr. Robert McFeeney, on the farm of Mr. John T. Redmon, on the Jacks-town pike, near Paris, was struck by lightning and partly demolished. Mrs. McFeeney, who was sitting in the doorway, received the full force of the stroke, and was instantly killed. Coroner Davis was called and summoned a jury, who, after reviewing the facts as presented, rendered a verdict in accordance therewith.

A corner of the Redmon home was torn off by the storm, but no one was hurt. Mr. Redmon went to the assistance of the McFeeney family and everything was done for their comfort.

Jack Turney had just finished topping off a stack of hay on the farm of his father, Mr. Jesse Turney, on the Maysville pike, near Paris, and had descended to the ground, when a flash of lightning struck it, setting it on fire and destroying it entirely. His lucky escape was a matter of but a few seconds.

Mrs. Pearl Deavers, who was sitting on the porch at her home on Fifteenth street, watching the progress of the storm, was stunned by a lightning stroke, which flashed across the porch. She was rendered unconscious remaining in that condition for over an hour and a half, until restored through the ministrations of physicians.

On the Claiborne Stock Farm of Mr. A. B. Hancock, near Paris, lightning struck and killed a valuable brood mare, that had been standing in the field close to one of the barns on the place.

Reports from all parts of the county indicate some kind of damage wrought by the storm, yet, luckily none of a very serious nature. The heavy rains swelled the branches and creeks and made them into little rivers, which poured into Stoner and Houston creeks, rapidly converted those streams into rivers of muddy waters. Floating debris of all kinds covered the streams. Reports from several sources in the county stated that the storm had badly washed out growing crops, especially tobacco. Among the latter was the crop on the Turney place being raised.

In the city the damage was not very severe, being confined mainly to broken limbs of trees and the flood of water that poured through the streets, in some instances overrunning into cellars. Window panes were broken by the force of the wind, but no serious damage has yet been reported.

Lightning flashes set fire to a number of trees in a woods on the Clintonville pike, burning all the foliage and badly charring the trunks of the trees. Men with axes were set to work chopping the trees down in order to prevent other trees from catching fire.

Mr. William Grannan had a narrow escape during the storm. The members of the family had been sitting in the reception hall, and discussion of the lightning caused one of the ladies of the party to become uneasy. They moved into a rear room, and Mr. Grannan started from the hall to the room to soothe them. Just as he left the hall a lightning bolt struck the house, loosening all the plastering on the hall ceiling, which plunged down below with a crash to the very spot he had just vacated.

The funeral of Mrs. McFeeney, victim of the storm's fury, will be held in the Paris Cemetery this (Friday) afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, with services conducted at the grave by Rev. R. C. Goldsmith, pastor of the Paris Baptist church. She leaves a husband and eight children.

Mr. and Mrs. James E. Craven, who made a motor trip to Cincinnati, Wednesday, were caught in the storm Wednesday night on the return trip, and did not get home until eight o'clock yesterday morning. They left Cincinnati late in the afternoon, and ran into the storm when it was at its worst just as they approached the village of Clayville, in Harrison county. The combined effects of the lightning, thunder, wind and the heavy rain caused them to lose their way, and for several hours they held on, by sheer good luck arriving at Paris at a late hour yesterday morning. They reported the storm as being something terrifying and calculated to upset the stoutest nerve.

PRESIDENT WILSON RETURNS AFTER FOUR MONTHS ABROAD.

President Wilson returned to Washington at midnight Sunday after an absence of four months at the Paris peace conference. He was accompanied by Mrs. Wilson, Miss Margaret Wilson and by Vice President Marshall, and most of the members of his cabinet, who greeted him on his arrival at New York.

The Presidential party was greeted at the station by a crowd of several thousand persons who had waited for several hours. After brief welcoming ceremonies, the President and Mrs. Wilson drove directly to the White House.

When the President returns to his desk he will face what probably will prove his busiest week in the White House. A vast accumulation of important matters awaits his consideration.

The President will deal with the subjects before him with as great speed as possible, in order that he may make an early start on his speech making trip. It has been indicated that he would like to leave Washington about the middle of next week.

Among matters awaiting the President's immediate attention are bills passed recently by Congress which carry appropriations of more than two billion dollars.

It was understood that the President hoped to confer with members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and leading administration officials.

Acting Secretary Polk probably will be among the first to confer with the President. Among other matters Mr. Polk will discuss with Mr. Wilson the proposal that he go to Paris to take the place of Secretary Lansing at the Peace Conference.

The itinerary for the President's "swing around the circle" is still unsettled, and probably will remain so until after Mr. Wilson goes before the Senate to present the peace treaty.

FORMER PARIS BOY IN "FURNITURE PHIZZES" CARTOON.

THE NEWS is in receipt of a recent copy of the Grand Rapids, Mich., Daily Herald, in which appears a cartoon representing D. Clyde McNamara, formerly of Paris, as explaining the mysteries of the furniture business. Dennis is depicted standing in a characteristic McNamara attitude as he tells of the good business the Pittsford Varnish Co. is having, and stating how much the good business is due to his personal efforts. One corner of the cartoon represents two traveling men running with the speed of lightning, while one of them exclaims, "Take down the lighting fixtures, here comes McNamara!"

NO FURTHER NEWS FROM IMPERSONATOR OF JAMES CAIN.

The case of the unknown in New London, Conn., who recently attempted to extort the sum of \$20 from Mr. John Peter Cain, of this city, by impersonating his son, James Cain, officially reported as dead, remains in statu quo, with no new developments.

The identity of the young man remains still unsolved, though the matter being now in the hands of the Government, something is sure to be done. A few days ago Mr. Cain was asked if he would prosecute the man, if called upon to do so. He replied that he certainly would. A message from the office at New London stated that the commanding officer of the garrison to which the young man belonged, had stated that the man would be tried by court-martial and severely punished.

In an effort to help clear up the mystery Mr. John F. Davis, of Paris, wired the Red Cross officials at New London, Conn., asking them to make a thorough investigation of the matter and make him a report. In reply a few days after he received the following telegram:

"New London, Conn.
"John F. Davis, Red Cross, Paris, Ky.
"Supposed James Cain's real name is Stevens. Police holding him for military authorities."

"RUTH M. MORRIS.
"Home Service A. R. C."

The authorities are working on clues which are said to point very strongly to a former Paris man as being the guilty party. He entered the army, deserted from the service, then enlisted again. He was commissioned to search for the deserter and instituted a search for himself. It is stated. He has served a term in the Frankfort Reformatory and the State Reform School.

RED CROSS HOME SERVICE IN NEW QUARTERS

Through the generosity of the officials of the Bourbon-Agricultural Bank & Trust Co., the Home Service office of the local Red Cross has been located in the room at the corner of Main and Broadway during the war. Now that the room has been leased to the Paris Water Company, the headquarters of the Home Service have been moved to Room No. 505, in the First National Bank building.

The young women in charge of the Home Service department of the Red Cross work may be found in the new headquarters every afternoon, ready and willing to render any assistance in their power to returned soldiers with arrears of pay still due them, or to those who have not received their bonus checks. The work of converting War Risk Insurance has just begun, and applications for compensation are being sent in. The Home Service Committee is dedicated to the task of finishing left-over work, and will not rest until their work has been completed.

"TROUBLES OF A MERCHANT, AND HOW TO STOP THEM."

The three-reel feature film, "Troubles of a Merchant, and How to Stop Them," will be presented for the first time in Paris on Wednesday night, July 16, at 8 o'clock, in the Alamo Theatre. In connection with a film, a lecture on retail merchandising will be given. All merchants and salespeople in the city are invited to attend. No charge will be made for admission.

The merchants and business men of Paris, have secured the film and merchandising lecture through the courtesy of The National Cash Register Company, Dayton, Ohio. R. H. Kennedy, expert lecturer of the Dayton Company, will be the speaker.



R. H. KENNEDY, LECTURER.

The lecture has been given before commercial organizations and conventions throughout the country, and has been highly commended. Causes for losses and failures in retail business are shown, and their remedy told in the lecture, which has been prepared from the experience of The National Cash Register Company in its thirty-four years of dealing with merchants in all parts of the world.

A prominent place in the lecture is given to the value of newspaper advertising. By means of stereopticon slides, Mr. Kennedy will tell how to prepare newspaper copy, how to secure best results, and why a merchant should advertise continually. Window display, efficiency of clerks, selling methods, credit business, delivery problems, and other topics of interest to merchants, will also be discussed.

The film tells in a vivid manner the story of Mr. White, a merchant who is near failure. As the film progresses, the reasons for his lack of success become plain. Poor arrangement of goods, an unattractive front, lax business methods, and most of all, out-of-date business methods, all contributed their quota of loss.

Finally a change comes in the career of Mr. White. He cleans up his store, installs a modern system, and rapidly rises to success. The film is declared to have a business lesson in every sense.

Many merchants and salespeople in this city are expected to welcome the opportunity offered by this lecture, and a large attendance is looked for Wednesday night.

RELIEF FOR HOUSEKEEPERS ALL THE YEAR ROUND

Kitchen Cabinets save time and labor.
A. F. WHEELER & CO.,
(27-ft) Opp. Court House.

REMOVAL NOTICE.

The office of the Paris Water Co. has been removed to the corner of Main and Broadway, in the Agricultural Bank building, where in the future all business will be transacted. Patrons are requested to call at once in reply to the notice just mailed to each consumer, notifying them of their indebtedness to our company. Water bills are now due, dating from July 1 to October 1. Water rents not paid in 15 days will cause your service to be discontinued.

PARIS WATER COMPANY.
(11-ft) Newt. Mitchell, Supt.

NEW DEAL POSSIBLE.

THE NEWS learned yesterday from what is considered a reliable source that the coming of the Red-path Chautauqua to Paris next year is among the possibilities. It was stated by a business man of good standing that enough pledges had been secured to guarantee the appearance here of this superior attraction. The White & Myers Chautauqua System, which has furnished the attractions for Paris in the past three years, has been satisfactory, but there seems to be a desire on the part of many of our citizens for a change, and the guarantees already obtained will be amply sufficient to bring this about.

FARM SOLD.

The farm of 35 1/2 acres on the Bethlehem pike, known as the Wm. Farris place, has been sold to Mr. Hugh French, of Lexington, at a price said to be in the neighborhood of \$16,000. The sale was made by Mr. Charles P. Mann, representing the Paris Realty Company.

JOHN FOX, JR., NOVELIST, DEAD AFTER ILLNESS OF PNEUMONIA.

Mr. John Fox, Jr., a native of Bourbon county, and noted as a popular novelist, died at a hospital in Knoxville, Tenn., Tuesday night, after a short illness of pneumonia. Mr. Fox was in Norton, Virginia, when he was taken ill, pneumonia developing, and he was sent to the Knoxville hospital, where his death followed Tuesday night.

Telegrams announcing the event were sent to Paris friends Wednesday morning, and the news also became known through the receipt of telegrams in Lexington, where his brother, Mr. Everett Fox, has been residing. Until he became ill Mr. Fox had been actively at work gathering material for a new novel. He spent a part of the winter in the South, returning to his home in Virginia a few months ago. There he had been spending most of his time with his mother, sisters and two brothers, with the exception of a few weeks when he visited in New York and other Eastern cities.

Mr. Fox was born near Stony Point, in this county, in 1863. He was the son of the late Prof. John Fox, who conducted a private school in Paris for several years, and who was regarded as one of the county's foremost educators. He received the rudiments of education at his father's school in this city and entered Transylvania University at Lexington, where he completed his education.

About twenty years ago Mr. Fox attained marked distinction as a writer and as a novelist. His first work to gain public recognition was a short story, "A Mountain Eppora," which ran serially in Scribner's Magazine. Then follow other works, which, upon appearing, were read widely by a public interested in the people of Eastern Kentucky, whom he described as primitive in a sense, yet of a fineness of stock and origin not to remain undiscovered. Those which gained him a host of readers and noted as an author were "The Heart of the Hill," "The Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come," "The Trail of the Lonesome Pine," "Crittenden," "Christmas on Lonesome," "Following the Sun Flag," "Bluegrass and Rhododendron," "A Knight of the Cumberland," "Hell-Fer-Sartin" and "A Cumberland Vendetta." Mr. Fox also gained distinction during the Russo-Japanese War, when he was sent to the Old World as a special correspondent for The New York World, Collier's Weekly, and a number of other publications.

Mr. Fox is survived by his mother, Mrs. John Fox, Sr., of Big Stone Gap, Va., and two sisters, Miss Minnie Fox, of Big Stone Gap, Va., and Mrs. Cabell Moore, of Washington, D. C. Five brothers, Everett Fox, of Lexington; Horace and Oliver Fox, of Big Stone Gap, Va.; Richard Fox, of Chicago; and Rector Fox, of New York. Besides these he is survived by several distant relatives residing in different parts of the Bluegrass section of Kentucky, one of whom, Mrs. J. D. Burnaugh, a former resident of Paris, now lives in Lexington.

During the Spanish-American War, Mr. Fox went to Cuba as a war correspondent for one of the big New York magazines and performed notable service in this field of activity.

Mr. Fox was married about 15 years ago to Fritz Scheff, actress and noted singer, but was divorced from her a few years later.

He was a beneficiary of the Garth Fund, founded by Wm. Garth for the education of poor, but worthy young men of Bourbon county, and who lost his life in the sinking of the ship Lady Elgin in Lake Erie about fifty years ago. In an interview with Mr. Fox in Paris, at the time of the death of his father, he expressed surprise that the large number of prominent men of Paris who had received their education through the generosity of Mr. Garth had not erected a monument on the lawn of the Bourbon county court house to his memory. He volunteered to head a fund for that purpose.

The body was brought to Paris this morning in a special car attached to the early Louisville & Nashville train, and was taken to the home of Miss Simms, on Mt. Airy avenue. The body was accompanied from Big Stone Gap, Va., by relatives and by Undertaker Wm. O. Hinton, of Paris.

The funeral will be held from the residence of Miss Lucy Simms, services being held at the grave in the Paris Cemetery at five o'clock this (Friday) afternoon, conducted by Rev. W. E. Ellis, pastor of the Paris Christian church. The pall-bearers will be Claude M. Thomas, Judge H. Clay Howard, William E. Simms, Charles H. Berryman, Upshar Berryman and Edward Bassett.

WHEAT CROP SAID TO BE SOMEWHAT DISAPPOINTING.

A prominent Bourbon county farmer stated yesterday that it was his opinion that the wheat crop in this county would prove very disappointing, and that he had heard that some of the threshermen are preparing to store their machines and quit work. They declare that there is not enough grain in the wheat to repay them for their labor. Bourbon county farmers raised more wheat this season than ever before and the yield promised to be the largest in the history of the county. This is considered the best wheat section in the State. The condition of the crop is due mainly to the severely wet month of May, it is thought by the growers.